

**TOWN OF NATICK
2014 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
2014 STATE PRIMARY AND ELECTIONS
POLITICAL CALENDAR**

The Town Clerk shall not furnish blank forms for nomination of candidates for town office to any person other than a candidate seeking such nomination or a person presenting the signed authorization of a candidate to secure said forms on his behalf. (*G.L. c. 53, §17*)

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| Monday, December 3, 2013 | Nomination papers will be available for all Town wide positions and for Town Meeting from the Town Clerk's office. |
| Tuesday, January 7, 2014 | 5:00 PM. Last day and hour for submitting nomination papers for the Town Election with the Registrars of Voters for certification for Town Office Candidates. Minimum of 25 signatures - 49 days before preliminary election date and 14 days preceding date on which they are to be filed with Town Clerk. (<i>Town Charter Article 3 Section 3-1 9(d) and G.L. c. 53 §61</i>) |
| Tuesday, January 21, 2014 | 5:00 PM. Year-End Campaign Finance Reports due (reporting period April 30, 2013 through December 31, 2013)

5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to file certified nomination papers for Town Office Candidates with Town Clerk (35 th day preceding the date of Preliminary Town Election) (<i>G.L. c. 53 §10, Town Charter Article 3 Section 3-1(d) (4.)</i>) |
| Thursday, January 23, 2014 | 5:00 PM. Last day and hour for filing withdrawal of, or objections to, nomination papers for Preliminary Town Election with Town Clerk. Must be in writing and notarized. (<i>G.L. c. 55B §7</i>) |
| Tuesday, January 28, 2014 | 5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Incumbent Town Meeting Members to give written notice to Town Clerk for re-election at the Annual Town Election. (21 days before filing date of New Town Meeting Members with Town Clerk) (<i>G.L. c. § 53, 10</i>) |
| Tuesday, February 4, 2014 | 5:00 PM. Last day and hour for submitting with the Registrars of Voters for certification of NEW Town Meeting Members nomination papers. There must be a minimum 10 signatures from voters in the precinct from which the candidate seeks to be elected, submitted 49 days before the Annual Town Election, 14 days before filing with Town Clerk. (<i>Town Charter Article 2 Section 2-4b and G.L. c. 53§7</i>) |

Wednesday, February 5, 2014	8:00 PM Last day and hour to register new voters for Preliminary Town Election. (<i>G.L. c. 51 §§ 26, 28</i>) if there is one. Clerk's office will remain open until 8:00 PM only if there is a Preliminary Town Election.
Friday, February 7, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour for submitting Articles for the Spring Annual Town Meeting. (<i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 11(c)</i>)
Tuesday, February 11, 2014	Nomination papers must be available for Statewide offices. (They may be able sooner)
Tuesday, February 18, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Preliminary Campaign Finance reports for Preliminary candidates. Report all activity from January 1, 2014 through February 10, 2014. This is only required if there is a Preliminary Town Election. 5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Ballot Questions to be placed on Annual Town Election Ballot. (<i>G.L. c 54 § 42C</i>) 5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Board of Registrars to file certified nomination papers for New Town Meeting Members with Town Clerk, 35 th day preceding date of Town Election (<i>G.L. c. 53 §10, G.L. 50§4.</i>)
Thursday, February 20, 2014	5:00 PM. Last Day and hour for filing withdrawals of and/or objections to New Town Meeting Members nomination papers for the Annual Town Election with Town Clerk (within two (2) working days of last day fixed for filing such nomination papers) <i>G.L. c 53§11 & §13.</i>
Tuesday, February 25, 2014	Preliminary Town Election for any Town offices if necessary. Last day for a person running in a state primary to enroll or unenroll in a party.
Wednesday, March 5, 2014	8:00 PM Last day and hour to register new voters for the Annual Town Election. (<i>G.L. c. 51 §§ 26, 28</i>). Clerk's office will remain open until 8:00 PM.
Monday, March 17, 2014	5:00 PM Last day and hour to submit pre-election Campaign Finance Reports due for Annual Town Election Candidates. Report all activity from January 1, 2014 through March 7, 2014.
Monday, March 24, 2014	12 noon – Last day and hour to file an absentee ballot request for the Annual Town Election
Tuesday, March 25, 2014	Annual Town Election – Polls open from 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Tuesday, April 8, 2014	Spring Annual Town Meeting 7:30 PM. Natick High School Auditorium. (<i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 12(a) and Town By-Laws Article 1, Section 1</i>)
Thursday, April 24, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit post election Campaign Finance report for Annual Town Election Candidates. Report all activity from March 8, 2014 through April 14, 2014
Tuesday, April 29, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour for submitting nomination papers to local Registrars of Voters for the certification of signatures for the State Primary.
Tuesday, May 20, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete certification of signatures for the State Primary.
Tuesday, May 27, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to file nomination papers (including party enrollment or voter registration certificate and Ethics Commission receipt) with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Friday, May 30, 2014	5:00 PM. Last Day and hour to file withdrawals of/or objections to nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Wednesday, June 4, 2014	5:00 PM. Last Day and hour to fill vacancies caused by any withdrawals.
Friday, August 22, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour for submitting Articles for the Fall Annual Town Meeting. (<i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 11(c)</i>)
Wednesday, August 20, 2014	8:00 PM Last day and hour to register new voters for the State Primary (<i>G.L. c. 51 §§ 26, 28</i>). Clerk's office will remain open until 8 PM.
Monday, September 8, 2014	12 noon – Last day and hour to file an absentee ballot request for the State Primary
Tuesday, September 9, 2014	State Primary – Polls open from 7 A.M. to 8 PM.
Thursday, September 11, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour for write-in or sticker candidates who won at the State Primary to file a written acceptance of the nomination.
Friday, September 12, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to file withdrawals/or objections to nominations at the State Primary.
Monday, September 15, 2014	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to fill vacancies caused by withdrawals at the State Primary.

Wednesday, October 15, 2014	8:00 PM Last day and hour to register new voters for the State Election (<i>G.L. c. 51 §§ 26, 28</i>). Clerk's office will remain open until 8 PM.
Tuesday, October 21, 2014	Fall Annual Town Meeting 7:30 PM. Natick High School Auditorium. (<i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 12(a) and Town By-Laws Article 1, section1</i>)
Monday, November 3, 2014	12 noon – Last day and hour to file an absentee ballot request for the State Election
Tuesday, November 4, 2014	State Election – Polls open from 7 A.M. to 8 PM.